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Pizza Hut Park • Frisco, Texas

2011 NCAA Division I Football Championship Game

Weekly Update, Dec. 7

The 2011 NCAA Division I Football Championship Game will be played Friday, January 7, 2011, at 6 p.m. (CST) at Pizza Hut Park in Frisco, Texas. The game, which concludes a 20-team national playoff, will be hosted by the Southland Conference, the City of Frisco and Hunt Sports Group. Pizza Hut Park will also host the 2012 and 2013 national championship games.

Championship Game Ticket Information

Tickets for the 2011 NCAA Division I Football Championship Game are now available online at ncaa.com/fcs or by calling (469) 365-0000. Tickets range from \$30 to \$40.

Upcoming Playoff Dates

Dec. 10-11: Quarterfinal Games (Campus Sites)

Dec. 17-18: Semifinal Games (Campus Sites)

Jan. 7: NCAA Division I Championship Game, Pizza Hut Park, Frisco; 6 p.m., CST, ESPN2

FCS Playoffs Reach Quarterfinals

Only three of the top-five national seeds survived the second round of the playoffs to reach this weekend's quarterfinal games. Three-time national champion and top-seeded Appalachian State beat Western Illinois, 42-14, to set up a date Saturday with defending national champion Villanova, which won 54-24 at Stephen F. Austin. No. 3 seed Delaware got past Lehigh, 42-20, and will host New Hampshire Friday night. No. 5 seed Eastern Washington will play host North Dakota State Saturday on the red turf in Cheney, Wash., after defeating Southeast Missouri State, 37-17, last week. The Bison upset No. 4 Montana State, 42-17, and Georgia Southern eliminated No. 2 seed William & Mary in a 31-15 win. Georgia Southern, which has won a record six national championships, now has wins this season against the top two seeds of the tournament, having beaten Appalachian State, 21-14, in overtime during the regular season.

Friday, Dec. 10		
7 p.m.	New Hampshire at Delaware	ESPN2

Saturday, Dec. 11		
11 a.m.	Villanova at Appalachian State	ESPN
1 p.m.	Georgia Southern at Wofford	ESPN Game Plan
2:30 p.m.	North Dakota State at Eastern Washington	ESPN Game Plan

[Click here](#) for the 2010 championship bracket

First-Round Results, Nov. 27

Western Illinois 17, at Coastal Carolina 10

at North Dakota State 43, Robert Morris 17

Lehigh 14, at Northern Iowa 7

at Georgia Southern 41, South Carolina State 16

Second-Round Results, Dec. 4

at Appalachian State 42, Western Illinois 14
Villanova 54, at Stephen F. Austin 24
at Eastern Washington 37, Southeast Missouri State 17
North Dakota State 42, at Montana State 17
at Delaware 42, Lehigh 20
New Hampshire 45, at Bethune-Cookman 20
Wofford 17, at Jacksonville State 14
Georgia Southern 31, at William and Mary 15

FCS Quarterfinals History

Georgia Southern is making its record 15th all-time appearance in the quarterfinals of the FCS playoffs. Appalachian State has reached the quarterfinals 13 times, which is the second-highest total all time. Of the other teams still alive in the playoffs, New Hampshire and Delaware are making their sixth appearance in the quarterfinals, followed by Villanova and Eastern Washington, which are in the quarterfinals for the fifth time. Wofford is in the field of eight for the third time, while North Dakota State has made the quarterfinals in its first playoff appearance.

Four Remaining Teams Have Won Championships

Four teams that are still alive in the playoffs have won national titles. Georgia Southern leads the field with six championships (1986, 1986, 1989, 1990, 1999, 2000). These four teams have won championships since 2000. Appalachian State won three consecutive titles (2005, 2006, 2007), while Delaware won the 2003 championship. Villanova won the championship last season.

A Whole Lot of Offense in First Two Rounds

One thing is for certain in this year's Football Championship Subdivision playoffs: the games are high scoring. Of the 12 games that have been played in the first two rounds, the teams have combined to score 51.3 points per game. The winning teams are averaging 35.4 points per game and have been outscoring their opponents by nearly 20 points a game (19.5). The winning team has scored 35 or more points in eight games of the playoffs, while only three teams have won by a touchdown or less.

About the Football Championship Subdivision

With 119 member universities and nearly 13,000 student-athletes taking the field each fall, the Division I Football Championship Subdivision embodies a tradition of excellence through a high level of competition, student-athlete character and sportsmanship throughout the regular season and the championship experience. Ten FCS conferences receive automatic berths to the NCAA Championship, including the Big Sky, Big South, Colonial Athletic Association, Mid-Eastern Athletic, Missouri Valley Football, Northeast, Ohio Valley, Patriot League, Southern and the Southland.

Former FCS football student-athletes include Walter Payton, Jerry Rice, Kurt Warner and current NFL stars Tony Romo, Jared Allen, Miles Austin, Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie and Joe Flacco. Former coaches in the FCS, include Eddie Robinson, Jim Tressel, Mack Brown, Bobby Bowden, and Dennis Franchione.

Did You Know?

Dallas Cowboys' interim coach Jason Garrett played in the Football Championship Subdivision at Princeton. He won the Asa S. Bushnell Cup as the Ivy League Player of the Year in 1988, when he was an honorable mention All-American. He still holds the Ivy League record for career completion percentage, having completed 66.5 percent of his passes.

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